

# Sandy newsletter

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## Volunteers Honored for Outstanding Contributions

The annual Sandy City Appreciation Awards Banquet was held on February 10 at the South Towne Expo Center. Mayor Dolan and the Sandy City Council hosted the banquet in honor of the many volunteers in the Sandy community. We appreciate the thousands of volunteers who make a difference in the community every year.

Sandy City is truly a better place because of their endless dedication. Below is a partial list of the recipients for the 2008 year. For a complete list of the winners, please visit [www.sandy.utah.gov](http://www.sandy.utah.gov). Congratulations to the many deserving individuals honored.



Mayor Dolan with Cathy Spuck and David Roth



Mike Coulam and Mayor Dolan with Connie Carter



Nancy Shay and Mayor Dolan with Harold Haugen



Mayor Dolan with Lois Hirschi

### Outstanding Citizen Contribution – Cathy Spuck and David Roth

Cathy Spuck is a tireless volunteer at several of the busiest events in the city. She helps at the Sandy Amphitheater, Balloon Festival, Elementary Art Show and the Sandy 4th of July Celebration.

David is a volunteer with the Amphitheater as well as the Sandy Arts Guild. He has always been willing to do what is needed and is a great asset to city programs.

### Outstanding Organization of the Year – Exchange Club of Sandy – Connie Carter

Connie Carter has been an integral part of the community through the Exchange Club, Sandy Pride and the Sandy Chamber. The Sandy Exchange Club has established a long-standing reputation as a service organization that truly makes a difference in our community. The club sponsors the Sandy Pride program that is an award-winning model of citizens and businesses working together to enhance the beauty and quality of life in our city. Connie has spent hundreds of hours contacting sponsors, distributing flyers and organizing volunteers in order to make Sandy Pride a success.

### Parks & Recreation Volunteer of the Year – Harold Haugen

Harold Haugen is a valuable asset to the community of Sandy through his volunteer work in trail and maintenance projects. He displays expertise and leadership and is a committed individual. Harold is currently working on the construction of the bridge connecting the Bonneville Shoreline Trail from Sandy to Draper in Little Willow Canyon.

### Lifetime Achievement Award – Lois Hirschi

Lois Hirschi has spent the majority of her life doing volunteer work. Just a few places she has volunteered at include: the Salt Lake Convention and Visitors Center, the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Daughters of the Utah Pioneers, Jordan School District and the Boy Scouts. Lois was also instrumental in establishing the Hirschi Center, a learning center for children. It is estimated in the past year alone, Lois has spent close to 1,000 hours of volunteer time. Her most recent endeavor includes joining the Sandy Arts Show Committee where she brings years of experience to the committee.



Chris McCandless receiving the Noal Bateman Award

### Noal Bateman Award – Chris McCandless

The Noal Bateman Award is the highest honor from the city given to an individual. Noal Bateman set an example of dedication to the city as a volunteer and humanitarian. The recipient of the award for 2008 is Chris McCandless. Chris serves on numerous boards and committees throughout the community such as the Boys & Girls Clubs in the South Valley, Sandy Honorary Colonels, Sandy Sister Cities Committee, Jordan Education Foundation and has served in a variety of capacities in the Rotary Club and the scouting program. Chris is also currently serving as a Sandy City Councilman. He has spent tireless hours doing humanitarian work for Sandy's Sister City Piedras Negras, Mexico as well as Boy Scout projects in Zimbabwe, Madagascar and Mexico. Chris demonstrates a spirit of service and comradeship in both social and business relationships and is a tremendous asset to the citizens of Sandy.

## Sandy Citizen Survey

Dan Jones and Associates completed Sandy City's eleventh annual survey of citizens in December 2008. The purpose of the survey is to listen to the citizens, gather input on city services, and solicit suggestions for managing or improving Sandy City. In an on-going effort to listen to citizens, Sandy has completed this survey nearly every year since 1995. Commenting on the residents of Sandy's willingness to participate in the Survey, Dan Jones mentioned, "We find that individuals who complete the survey find it rewarding because the material pertains to them." With this input, Sandy City is working to improve its services throughout the community.

### Citizens Recognized Improvements in Roads, Shopping, and Parks

This year, citizens most noticed street improvements, shopping and business growth, and new parks as the top three improvements in the community over the past five years. Other improvements noted by citizens included the soccer stadium, the

development around Quarry Bend, and streetlights. Improvements residents hope for in the future include better roadways and traffic control, more parks and open space, the 11400 South interchange, and low taxes.

### Continued High Ratings for City Services

Citizens rated 28 city service areas on a scale of one to five with one meaning very dissatisfied and five meaning very satisfied. Speaking about these city services, Dan Jones said, "You get very high ratings on your services." All 28 areas received scores above 3.5, and 15 service areas received their highest score ever. Residents gave the highest ratings to fire and emergency medical services, garbage collection, the appearance of city parks, Senior Citizen programs, the Sandy Amphitheater, drinking water services. Other city services receiving very high ratings include the recycling program, the Sandy Fourth of July celebration, youth recreation programs, and the courtesy of city employees.

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